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reinforcing the positions where the base 3a of the supports 3 are embedded. The deformable intraocular lens 1 shown FIG. 33 is configured in the same manner as is the deformable intraocular lens of FIG. 32 except that the projections 2a are omitted. Each of the deformable intraocular lenses shown in FIGS. 34 and 35 is composed of a circular optical portion 2 and a pair of thin plate-shaped support portions 4 that are integral with the optical portion 2. The optical portion 2, like the optical portion 2 shown in FIG. 32, is made of an elastic material having predetermined memory characteristics. The support portions 4 are projected from the periphery of the optical [port] portions 2 in opposite directions.

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FIGS. 1 to 7 [shows] show an insertion device according to a first embodiment of the present invention. In FIGS. 1 to 7, numeral 10 denotes a body of the insertion device; numeral 1 denotes a deformable



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intraocular lens for cataract treatment; numeral 5 denotes an enclosing member built into the body 10; numerals 6a and 6b each denote a hinge portion provided on the enclosing member 5; numeral 7 denotes a lens receiving section which is formed upon opening of the enclosing member 5 in order to receive the intraocular lens 1[,]; numeral 8 denotes a holder which is provided on the body 10 and is adapted to close the enclosing member 5 and maintain the closed state; numeral 9 denotes an annular retainer member for maintaining the enclosing member 5 in an opened state when the deformable intraocular lens 1 is to be

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intraocular lens 1 is made of an elastic material having predetermined memory characteristics. The support portions 4 are projected from the periphery of the optical portion 2 in opposite directions ([vertical] vertically opposite directions in FIG. 35), and the peripheral edge [portion] portions 4a are slightly projected from the optical portion 2 rightward and leftward in FIG. 35.

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In the insertion device according to the sixth embodiment having the above-described structure, when




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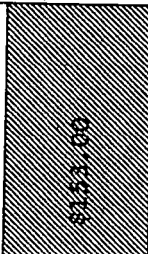
the quadrant-shaped upper portions of the enclosing member 5 [is] are opened, the lens receiving section 7 is formed on the enclosing member 5. Subsequently, the deformable intraocular lens 1 is placed in the lens receiving section 7. In order to obtain sufficient lubrication effect, a lubricant or the like is preferably applied to the lens receiving section 7. Subsequently, the enclosing member 5 into which the deformable intraocular lens 1 is placed is fitted into the holder 8 as shown in FIGS. 22 and 23. Thus, the enclosing member 5 is accommodated within the holder 8,

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In the first to fourth and sixth embodiments, the enclosing member has two hinges. However, a larger number of hinge portions may be provided. The [above-describe] above-described



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